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Castillo De San Felipe Del Morro
(San Juan National Historic Site)
Northwest end of San Juan
San Juan
Puerto Rico

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013-7127

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Puerto Rico	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY San Juan
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Castillo De San Felipe Del Morro		HABS NO. PR-48
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE San Juan National Historic Site		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) northwest end of San Juan		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) begun in 1539, but major period of construction begun in 1591	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Juan Bautista Antonelli Capt. Pedro de Salazar	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This fort is one of the three defenses erected to protect Spain's first permanent colony in the present territory of the United States.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) sandstone and brick (bearing walls)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) SEE MEASURED DRAWINGS "hornwork (so-called because its plan resembles the spreading horns of a bull)"		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Massive walls with decorative sentry boxes at strategic points. Classically detailed entrances on the plaza de armas.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Massive substructure		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES During World War II, concrete fortifications were added.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE in need of repair		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) The above based on 1961 National Park Service Publication entitled "San Juan National Historic Site: Puerto Rico" and knowledge of HABS architect		
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